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PLEASE PASS SECRETARIES SHULTZ/DENT

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YUGOSLAVIA

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1. EMBASSY ANTICIPATES GROWING NUMBER OF INQUIRIES BY
INTERNATIONAL NEWS AGENCIES, YUGOSLAV AND AMERICAN PRESS
CONCERNING BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF VISIT BY SECRETARY
SHULTZ AND PARTY.

WE INTEND TO RESPOND ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

3. QUOTE VISIT REPRESENTS NEW CHAPTER IN PERIODIC HIGH-LEVEL
US-YUGOSLAV DIALOGUES INITIATED IN EXCHANGES OF VISITS BY
PRESIDENTS NIXON AND TITO, ANDCONTINUED WITH TALKS IN
WASHINGTON BY VICE PREMIER SIROTKOVIC, AND IN BELGRADE BY
SECRETARY ROGERS AND AMBASSADOR EBERLE.

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4. WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUATION OF EARLIER DISCUSSIONS ON (A) DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS, INCLUDING TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION, AND (B) MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC ISSUES, INCLUDING TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL MONETARY REFORM. UNQUOTE.

5. EMBASSY ALSO FORESEES POSSIBILITY OF RELATED INQUIRIES CONCERNING POSITION OF SECRETARY SHULTZ AND USG ON NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AND PROBLEMS OF LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. TRADITIONAL YUGOSLAV PREOCCUPATION WITH THESE ISSUES HAS INTENSIFIED IN LIGHT OF ALGIERS SUMMIT CONFERENCE.

6. WE PLAN TO BASE RESPONSE ON RECENT DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE AND STATEMENTS BY SECRETARIES SHULTZ, KISSINGER, UNDER SECRETARY CASEY AND OTHER USG SPOKESMEN.

7. WE WOULD POINT OUT THAT EFFORTS OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES CAN CONTRIBUTE TO PROGRESS IN ECONOMIC FIELDS TOWARD IMPROVED TRADE AND MONETARY STRUCTURES.

8. WE WOULD EMPHASIZE U.S. SUPPORT FOR INCREASED ACCESS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO FOREIGN MARKETS, US COMMITMENT TO GENERALIZED TARIFF PREFERENCES, AND IMPORTANT ROLE WHICH PRIVATE INVESTMENT CAN PLAY IN DEVELOPMENT.
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